Please amend the claims as follows:

- 1. (Currently Amended) A wireless terminal (15) for communicating pictures via a wireless communication system, the wireless terminal comprising:
  - a) a picture manager (10), responsive to signals indicating pictures (11a 11b), for displaying the pictures (11a 11b) each of which is either is editable if or non-editable as indicated by a predetermined free-to-edit tag (12) embedded in the picture (11a 11b),

for examining each of the pictures (11a 11b) to determine whether each of the pictures (11a 11b) includes the predetermined free-to-edit tag (12) so as to be either editable thus allowing a user to alter the content of at least a portion of the picture, or non-editable thus protecting the picture from being edited by the user, depending on whether a tag in a picture is pre-agreed to signify that the picture is editable or is non-editable, and

for enabling editing of each of the pictures received by the user only if the free-to-edit tag is included in the picture received by the user,

for providing signals indicating edited and non-edited pictures (11a 11b); and the wireless terminal further comprising

- b) a picture source (14 17), for providing the signals indicating the pictures (11a 11b). along with optional associated text, responsive to the signals indicating the edited and non-edited pictures (11a 11b).
- (Currently Amended) A wireless terminal (15) as in claim 1,
  wherein the picture manager (10) will not enable editing a picture (11a 11b) if the picture (11a
  11b) includes the predetermined free-to-edit tag (12) is visible to the user, and
  wherein the picture manager is capable of deleting the free-to-edit tag from the picture.

- 3. (Currently Amended) A wireless terminal (15) as in <u>claim 2</u> elaim 1, wherein the picture manager (10) is also equipped to prompt the user regarding creating the free-to-edit tag, if the user has <u>created the picture</u>. will enable editing a picture (11a 11b) only if the picture (11a 11b) includes the <u>predetermined tag (12)</u>
- 4. (Original) A wireless terminal (15) as in claim 1, wherein the predetermined free-to-edit tag (12) is visible to a user of the wireless terminal (15) only if the wireless terminal (15) is placed by the user into a mode of operation allowing editing of an editable picture.
- 5. (Original) A wireless terminal (15) as in claim 1, further comprising a memory device (14), and wherein the picture manager (10) automatically saves downloaded pictures (11a) including the predetermined free-to-edit tag (12) in a different location in the memory device (14) from where the picture manager (10) saves downloaded pictures (11a 11b) not including the predetermined free-to-edit tag (12).
- 6. (Original) A system, comprising:
- i) a wireless terminal (15) for communicating pictures via a wireless communication system, the wireless terminal (15) as claimed in claim 1; and
- ii) a base station transceiver (13), for providing communication between the wireless terminal (15) and other communication devices.
- 7. (Original) A system, comprising:
- i) a wireless terminal (15) for communicating pictures via a wireless communication system, the wireless terminal (15) as claimed in claim 2; and
- ii) a base station transceiver (13), for providing communication between the wireless terminal (15) and other communication devices.
- 8. (Original) a system, comprising:

- i) a wireless terminal (15) for communicating pictures via a wireless communication system, the wireless terminal (15) as claimed in claim 3; and
- ii) a base station transceiver (13), for providing communication between the wireless terminal (15) and other communication devices.
- 9. (Original) A system, comprising:
- i) a wireless terminal (15) for communicating pictures via a wireless communication system, the wireless terminal (15) as claimed in claim 4; and
- ii) a base station transceiver (13), for providing communication between the wireless terminal (15) and other communication devices.
- 10. (Previously Presented) A system, comprising:
- i) a wireless terminal (15) for communicating pictures via a wireless communication system, the wireless terminal (15) as claimed in claim 5; and
- ii) a base station transceiver (13), for providing communication between the wireless terminal (15) and other communication devices responsive to signals indicating pictures (11a 11b).
- 11. (Previously Presented) A system as claimed in claim 10, further comprising equipment (17) providing pictures (11a 11b) for downloading, for providing the signals indicating the pictures (11a 11b).
- 12. (Previously Presented) A method for use by a wireless terminal (15) used in communicating pictures via a wireless communication system, the method comprising:
  - a) an examination step (31), responsive to a picture (11a 11b), for examining the picture (11a 11b) to determine whether the picture (11a 11b) includes a predetermined free-to-edit tag (12), and for providing an indication of whether or not the picture (11a 11b) includes the predetermined tag (12); and the method further comprising
  - b) a mode guard step (32), for enabling editing of the picture (11a 11b) thus allowing a user to alter the content of at least a portion of the picture, depending on the

indication of whether or not the picture (11a 11b) includes the predetermined tag (12) of each of the pictures received by a user only if the free-to-edit tag is included in the picture received by the user.

13. (Previously Presented) A method as in claim 12,

wherein in the mode guard step (32), a user is allowed to edit the picture (11a 11b) only if the picture (11a 11b) includes the predetermined tag (12). the free-to-edit tag (12) is visible to the user, and

wherein the method includes optionally deleting the free-to-edit tag from the picture.

- 14. (Previously Presented) A method as in claim 12, wherein in the mode-guard-step (32), a user is not allowed to edit the picture (11a 11b) if the picture (11a-11b) includes the predetermined free to edit tag (12). A method as in claim 13, further comprising prompting the user regarding creating the free-to-edit tag, if the user has created the picture.
- 15. (Original) A method as in claim 12, further comprising a step of displaying the predetermined free-to-edit tag (12) so that it is visible to a user only if the user places the wireless terminal (15) into a mode of operation allowing editing of an editable picture.
- 16. (Original) A method as in claim 12, wherein in the examination step (31), a downloaded picture (11a) having the predetermined free-to-edit tag (12) is automatically saved in a different location in a memory device (14) from where a downloaded picture (11b) not including the predetermined free-to-edit tag (12) is saved.